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SUBJECT: TRANSWORLD GAS SYSTEMS, WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA REQUESTS GUIDANCE IN OFFERING SERVICES TO GOVTS OF DUBAI AND SHARJAH

- 1. TRANSWORLD GAS SYSTEMS (TGS), 15111 E. WHITTIER BOULEVARD, WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA 90603 IS AN ORGANIZATION OF LESS THAN 10 PEOPLE FOUNDED IN 1971 TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO PRODUCERS AND GOVERNMENTS FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND PROGRAMS TO DEVELOP ENERGY SOURCES, ESPECIALLY NATURAL GAS. TGS IS ALSO INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING AS AN INVESTOR IN PROJECTS, WHERE FEASIBLE, AND IS SEEKING ASSISTANCE FROM COMMERCE'S FOREIGN INVESTMENT SERVICES STAFF.
- 2. TGS IS A SUBSIDIARY OF PARGAS, INC. OF WALDORF, MD. A LEADING CREDIT SERVICE REPORTS THAT PARGAS HAS DOLS 90 MILLION IN ANNUAL SALES AND 2200 EMPLOYEES. WE HAVE ORDERED AN ADDITIONAL RELIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON THE BONA FIDES OF TGS'S PERSONNEL AND WILL ADVISE THE EMBASSY WHEN THAT INFORMATION IS RECEIVED.

- 3. TGS REPORTS THAT SUNNINGDALE OIL COMPANY IN DUBAI AND THE BUTTES GROUP IN SHARJAH ARE CARRYING OUT STUDIES FOR NATURAL GAS UTILIZATION PROJECTS IN THOSE COUNTRIES.
- 4. TGS RECENTLY DID COMPARABLE STUDIES FOR ANOTHER ARABIAN GULF COUNTRY AND WISHES TO OFFER ITS SERVICES TO DUBAI AND SHARJAH TO EVALUATE THE RESULTS OF THE SUNNINGDALE AND BUTTES STUDIES AND/OR SUGGEST OTHER ENERGY DEVELOPMENT PLANS.
- 5. TGS WROTE TO THE RULERS OF DUBAI AND SHARJAH ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1974 SEEKING APPOINTMENTS BUT RECEIVED NO POSITIVE RESPONSE. COPIES OF THE LETTERS ARE BEING SENT BY AIR POUCH ALONG WITH TGS'S JANUARY 22, 1975 LETTER TO COMMERCE.
- 6. TGS REQUESTS ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS IN DUBAI AND SHARJAH FOR A CHANCE TO PRESENT THEIR PROJECT IDEAS.
- 7. EMBASSY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS REGARDING TGS'S PLANS AND PROPOSALS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. IF THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TGS, PLEASE SEND THE NAME OF OFFICIALS THEY MIGHT WRITE OR VISIT.

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